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Examiner

Ruth A. Davis

Art Unit

1651

Docket No.

150026.464

Date

October 27, 2004

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PETITION TO ACCEPT LATE PRIORITY CLAIM UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3)

Commissioner for Patents:

Applicant hereby petitions for acceptance of a late priority claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3). The entire delay between the date the priority claim was due and the date of this Petition was unintentional. Applicant encloses with this Petition an Amendment to the specification referencing the priority claim.

Applicant also encloses herewith the fee due by way of this Petition. The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

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If questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' counsel, William T. Christiansen, by email at BillC@SeedIP.com or by telephone at (206) 622-4900.

Respectfully submitted,

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	301112003	First Named Inventor	David E. Townsend
	19	Examiner Name	Ruth A. Davis
	X Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.	Art Unit	1651
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2. EXTRA CLAIM	FEES FOR	UTILI	TY AND REISSUE			
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1202 18	2202	(*)	Claims in excess of 20			
1201 88	2201	44	Independent claims in excess of 3			
1203 300	2203	150	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid			
1204 88	2204	44	** Reissue independent claims over original patent			
1205 18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent			
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES Large Entity Small						
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid	
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath		
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.		
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification		
1812	2520	1812	2520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination		
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
1805	1840°	1805	1840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month		
1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month		
1253	980	2253	490	Extension for reply within third month		
1254	1530	2254	765	Extension for reply within fourth month		
1255	2080	2255	1040	Extension for reply within fifth month		
1401	300	2401	150	Notice of Appeal		
1402	300	2402	150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal		
1403	300	2403	150	Request for oral hearing		
1451	1510	1451	1510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding		
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable		
1453	1370	2453	685	Petition to revive - unintentional		
1501	1370	2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)		
1502	490	2502	245	Design issue fee		
1503	660	2503	330	Plant issue fee		
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner		
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)		
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt		
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)		
1809	790	2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))		
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))		
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application		
Other fee	(specify) <u>Petitio</u>	n fee un	der 37 CFR 1.17(t)	1370	
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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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